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The Committee on Government Administration and Elections reported through REP. FOX of the 148th Dist., Chairperson of the Committee on the part of the House, that the bill ought to pass.

AN ACT CONCERNING THE LEGISLATIVE COMMISSIONERS' RECOMMENDATIONS FOR TECHNICAL REVISIONS TO STATUTES CONCERNING GOVERNMENT ADMINISTRATION AND ELECTIONS.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

1 Section 1. Subdivision (1) of subsection (b) of section 2-111 of the
2 general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu
3 thereof (*Effective from passage*):

4 (1) Four members of the General Assembly, one of whom shall be
5 appointed by the speaker of the House of Representatives, one of
6 whom shall be appointed by the president pro tempore of the Senate,
7 one of whom shall be appointed by the minority leader of the House of
8 Representatives, and one of [who] whom shall be appointed by the
9 minority leader of the Senate;

10 Sec. 2. Subsection (a) of section 4-67x of the general statutes is
11 repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective from*

12 *passage*):

13 (a) There shall be a Child Poverty and Prevention Council consisting
14 of the following members or their designees: The Secretary of the
15 Office of Policy and Management, the president pro tempore of the
16 Senate, the speaker of the House of Representatives, the minority
17 leader of the Senate and the minority leader of the House of
18 Representatives, the Commissioners of Children and Families, Social
19 Services, Correction, Developmental Services, Mental Health and
20 Addiction Services, Transportation, Public Health, Education,
21 Housing, Agriculture and Economic and Community Development,
22 the Labor Commissioner, the Chief Court Administrator, the
23 chairperson of the Board of Regents for Higher Education, the Child
24 Advocate [] and the executive directors of the Office of Early
25 Childhood, [and] the Commission on Human Rights and
26 Opportunities and the [executive director of the] Commission on
27 Women, Children and Seniors. [or a designee.] The Secretary of the
28 Office of Policy and Management, or the secretary's designee, shall be
29 the chairperson of the council. The council shall (1) develop and
30 promote the implementation of a ten-year plan, to begin June 8, 2004,
31 to reduce the number of children living in poverty in the state by fifty
32 per cent, and (2) within available appropriations, establish prevention
33 goals and recommendations and measure prevention service outcomes
34 in accordance with this section in order to promote the health and
35 well-being of children and families.

36 Sec. 3. Subsection (a) of section 9-368c of the general statutes is
37 repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective from*
38 *passage*):

39 (a) No person shall intentionally misrepresent the contents of a
40 petition circulated under this title. [9.]

41 Sec. 4. Subdivision (9) of subsection (c) of section 17b-28 of the
42 general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu
43 thereof (*Effective from passage*):

44 (9) A member of the Commission on Women, Children and Seniors,
45 designated by the executive director of said commission;

46 Sec. 5. Subdivision (1) of subsection (a) of section 21a-7 of the
47 general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu
48 thereof (*Effective from passage*):

49 (1) Each board or commission shall exercise its statutory functions,
50 including licensing, certification, registration, accreditation of schools
51 and the rendering of findings, orders and adjudications. With the
52 exception of the Liquor Control Commission, any exercise of such
53 functions by such a board or commission that is adverse to a party
54 shall be a proposed final decision and subject to approval,
55 modification or rejection by the commissioner.

56 Sec. 6. Subsection (b) of section 21a-7 of the general statutes is
57 repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective from*
58 *passage*):

59 (b) With the exception of the Liquor Control Commission, each
60 board or commission within the Department of Consumer Protection
61 under section 21a-6 that makes a proposed final decision that is
62 adverse to a party as described in subdivision (1) of subsection (a) of
63 this section, shall submit such proposed final decision to the
64 Commissioner of Consumer Protection. Not later than thirty calendar
65 days after receipt of any such proposed final decision, the
66 Commissioner of Consumer Protection shall notify such board or
67 commission that the commissioner shall render the final decision
68 concerning such matter. Not later than thirty days after receipt of any
69 such proposed final decision, the commissioner shall approve, modify
70 or reject the proposed final decision or remand the proposed final
71 decision for further review or for the taking of additional evidence.
72 The commissioner shall notify the board or commission in writing of
73 the commissioner's decision and include in such notification the
74 rationale for such decision. The decision of the commissioner shall be
75 the final decision in accordance with section 4-180 for purposes of
76 reconsideration in accordance with section 4-181a or appeal to the

77 Superior Court in accordance with section 4-183.

78 Sec. 7. Subsection (b) of section 32-58b of the general statutes is
79 repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective from*
80 *passage*):

81 (b) The Governor, in consultation with the Commissioner of
82 Economic and Community Development, shall appoint an executive
83 director, in accordance with the provisions of sections 4-5 to 4-8,
84 inclusive, to manage the daily activities and duties of the Office of
85 Military Affairs. The executive director shall have the necessary
86 qualifications to perform the duties of said office, including, but not
87 limited to, having prior military experience, and having attained the
88 rank of a field grade or senior officer within a branch of the armed
89 forces. The Governor shall give preference to any person with the
90 necessary training and experience who has served in the Navy or who
91 has knowledge or prior experience with the federal Base Realignment
92 and Closure or "BRAC" process. Within available appropriations, the
93 executive director shall: (1) Appoint, employ and remove such
94 assistants, employees and personnel as deemed necessary for the
95 efficient and effective administration of the activities of the office; (2)
96 coordinate state and local efforts to prevent the closure or downsizing
97 of Connecticut military facilities, particularly United States Naval
98 Submarine Base-New London, located in Groton; (3) maximize the
99 state's input into the federal Base Realignment and Closure or "BRAC"
100 process, including, but not limited to, (A) acting as liaison to the state's
101 congressional delegation on defense, military and BRAC issues, and
102 (B) coordinating the activities of consultants hired by the state to assist
103 in monitoring activities related to BRAC; (4) encourage the relocation
104 of military missions to the state; (5) coordinate state and local efforts to
105 enhance the quality of life of all branches of military personnel
106 stationed in or deploying from Connecticut and their families living or
107 working in Connecticut; (6) review and make recommendations for
108 state policies that affect Connecticut's military facilities and defense
109 and homeland security industries; (7) coordinate state, regional and
110 local efforts to encourage the growth of Connecticut's defense and

111 homeland security industry; (8) serve as an advocate for service
 112 members and their families to other state agencies; (9) initiate and
 113 sustain collaborative partnerships with local military commanders;
 114 (10) consult with the Department of Economic and Community
 115 Development on proposed financial assistance agreements with
 116 defense and homeland security firms; and (11) prepare and submit a
 117 report of activities, findings and recommendations annually to the
 118 Governor and the joint standing committees of the General Assembly
 119 having cognizance of matters relating to commerce and public safety,
 120 in accordance with the provisions of section 11-4a.

121 Sec. 8. Section 46a-131 of the general statutes is repealed. (*Effective*
 122 *from passage*)

This act shall take effect as follows and shall amend the following sections:		
Section 1	<i>from passage</i>	2-111(b)(1)
Sec. 2	<i>from passage</i>	4-67x(a)
Sec. 3	<i>from passage</i>	9-368c(a)
Sec. 4	<i>from passage</i>	17b-28(c)(9)
Sec. 5	<i>from passage</i>	21a-7(a)(1)
Sec. 6	<i>from passage</i>	21a-7(b)
Sec. 7	<i>from passage</i>	32-58b(b)
Sec. 8	<i>from passage</i>	Repealer section

GAE Joint Favorable

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OFA Fiscal Note**State Impact:** None**Municipal Impact:** None**Explanation**

The bill, which makes technical changes to statutes concerning government administration, has no fiscal impact.

The Out Years**State Impact:** None**Municipal Impact:** None



OLR Bill Analysis

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SUMMARY

This bill makes technical changes to various government administration and elections-related statutes.

EFFECTIVE DATE: Upon passage

COMMITTEE ACTION

Government Administration and Elections Committee

Joint Favorable

Yea 15 Nay 0 (03/06/2019)